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1. IN RESPONSE TO REUTERS STORY THAT EMBASSY HAS TWO CASES OF LYMPHATIC CANCER AND ONE OF ARRESTED ANEMIA, THE LATTER ONE BEING THE AMBASSADOR, AND THAT DR. ZWEIFEL HAS GONE OUT TO DEAL WITH THEM, DEPT. PRESS SPOKESMAN IS USING FOLLOWING GUIDANCE ON WHICH YOU CAN DRAW IF ASKED:

QUOTE DR. ZWEIFEL LEFT LAST FRIDAY AND IS IN MOSCOW NOW ON TDY TO PERMIT THE EMBASSY PHYSICIAN, DR. THOMAS JOHNSON TO GO ON VACATION.

WE HAVE FOUND NO MEDICAL PROBLEMS AT OUR EMBASSY IN MOSCOW RELATED TO THE SITUATION AT THE EMBASSY WHICH HAS BEEN UNDER DISCUSSION.

I WOULD LIKE TO RECALL WHAT THE SECRETARY SAID ON FEBRUARY 12 "THIS ISSUE IS A MATTER OF GREAT DELICACY WHICH HAS MANY RAMIFICATIONS. OUR OVERWHELMING CONCERN

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IS, OF COURSE, THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF STATE DEPARTMENT

AND OTHER PERSONNEL IN MOSCOW. WE HAVE MADE UNILATERAL
EFFORTS TO REDUCE ANY DANGERS, AND WE ARE ALSO ENGAGED IN
DISCUSSIONS ON THE SUBJECT." UNQUOTE. INGERSOLL

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